Docket No.: 027929.101-US00 (PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Tetsumasa Ito

Application No.: 10/050,608

Art Unit: 1634

Filed: January 18, 2002

Examiner: B. Forman

For: GENE DETECTION SYSTEM, GENE

DETECTION DEVICE USING SAME, DETECTION METHOD, AND GENE

DETECTING CHIP

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the non-final Office Action dated July 8, 2004, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper. Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments dispose of the issues presented in the Office Action and place the claims in condition for allowance.

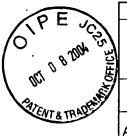
Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and

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any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740, referencing Attorney Docket No. 027929.101-US00.



AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following items for filing in connection with the above-referenced Patent Application:

- 1. Fee Transmittal;
- 2. Amendment Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
- 3. Amendment in Response to Non-final Office Action;
- 4. Check No. 335096 for \$54.00 to cover the additional claims fee; and
- 5. Return receipt postcard.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740, under Docket No. 027929.101-US00. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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FEE TRANSMITTAL					Complete if Known				
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for FY 2004		Filing Date			January 18, 2002				
Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.	First Named Inventor Examiner Name								
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Art Ur	1634						
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The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)	1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge – late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.				
Charge fee(s) indicated below X Credit any overpayments	1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification				
X Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s)	1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination				
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to the above-identified deposit account.	1007	020	1004		Examiner action				
	1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action				
FEE CALCULATION	1251	110	2251	55	Extension for repty within first month				
1. BASIC FILING FEE	1252	430	2252	215	Extension for reply within second month				
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1001 790 2001 395 Utility filing fee	1255	2,080	2255	1,040	Extension for reply within fifth month				
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SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 0.00	1453	1,370	2453	685	Petition to revive - unintentional				
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	1501	1,370	2501	685	Utility issue fee (or reissue)				
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1201 88 2201 44 Independent claims in excess of 3	1810	790	2810	395	For each additional invention to be				
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